



# CITY OF BOSTON CHILDCARE SURVEY

This survey is to learn more about childcare in Boston. You are not required to fill it out, but it helps the City of Boston improve. Your answers may be shared, but we will not share your name or specific personal details.

## Section 1: Questions about parent/guardian(s) with ANY children between birth to 5 years old.

Please note this survey is only for families with children between birth to 5 years old.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ANY CHILDREN BETWEEN BIRTH TO AGE 5, PLEASE DO NOT CONTINUE WITH THE SURVEY

Parent/Guardian:	Age	Gender Identity	Employment Status	Relationship to Children
		M / F / Non-binary	Unemployed / Part-time / Full-time	Parent/Grandparent/Other legal guardian
Zip code where you live:				

## Please tell us your race and/or ethnicity (check all that apply)

Parent/Guardian:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-Hispanic, White	<input type="checkbox"/>	African-American	<input type="checkbox"/>	American Indian/Alaskan Native	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Asian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Latino/Hispanic	<input type="checkbox"/>	Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	<input type="checkbox"/>	

## Section 2: Questions about your family's experience with childcare. Please assign a child to each child column. For example, Child 1 should refer to the same child throughout the entire survey.

Please tell us about your children between birth to age 5.

	Example	Child 1	Child 2	Child 3	Child 4	Child 5
What is your child's birthdate? (mm/yyyy)	01/2017	--/----	--/----	--/----	--/----	--/----
Does your child receive subsidized childcare?	yes/no	yes/no	yes/no	yes/no	yes/no	yes/no
Does your child have a diagnosed disability/developmental delay?	yes/no	yes/no	yes/no	yes/no	yes/no	yes/no
What is the childcare arrangement your child spends the most time in while a parent/guardian is working? Check one for each child.						
	Example	Child 1	Child 2	Child 3	Child 4	Child 5
Early Headstart/Headstart						
Public School / Charter School						
Center-based Care	✓					
Licensed Family Childcare Provider (care occurs in provider's home)						
Parent/Guardian						
Nanny, Babysitter or Au Pair						
Neighbor, Friend, or Family member (unpaid, not a parent/guardian)						
From home, how many minutes does it take to get to each child's childcare arrangement?	0 min					
From work, how many minutes does it take to get to each child's childcare arrangement?	60 min					

## What other childcare arrangement does your child spend time in while a parent/guardian is working? Check one for each child.

	Example	Child 1	Child 2	Child 3	Child 4	Child 5
Early Headstart/Headstart						
Public School / Charter School						
Center-based Care						
Licensed Family Childcare Provider (care occurs in provider's home)						
Parent/Guardian						
Nanny, Babysitter or Au Pair	✓					
Neighbor, Friend, or Family member (unpaid, not a parent/guardian)						
My child is not in another arrangement						

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On average, what form of transportation do you take to get to your child(ren)'s arrangement(s)? Check one.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Transportation (Bus or Train)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Walking	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bicycle
<input type="checkbox"/>	Car	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ride Share (Uber, Lyft, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other

If parent/guardian is current primary arrangement for any child, what best describes the caretaking parent/guardian's desires around work? (Check one).					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Satisfied with current work situation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Currently working but wants or needs to work more hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not currently working but wants or needs to start working

Imagine you could choose any childcare arrangement, which childcare arrangement would you choose? Check one for each child.						
	Example	Child 1	Child 2	Child 3	Child 4	Child 5
Early Head Start/Head Start						
Public School / Charter School	✓					
Center-based Care						
Licensed Family Childcare Provider (care occurs in provider's home)						
Parent/Guardian						
Nanny, Babysitter or Au Pair						
Neighbor, Friend, or Family member (unpaid, not a parent/guardian)						

In an ideal situation, would you prefer to have your childcare close to home or work?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Home	<input type="checkbox"/> Work

Approximately, how much do you pay for childcare in TOTAL for ALL children between birth to age 5?	
PER MONTH: \$ _____	OR PER WEEK: \$ _____

What is your annual household income? (Before taxes)
\$ _____

Section 3: Questions for parents/guardians who selected “parent/guardian” as their primary childcare arrangement for any child.

If parent/guardian is current primary arrangement for any child, what best describes the caretaking parent/guardian's desires around work? (Check one).					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Satisfied with current work situation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Currently working but wants or needs to work more hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not currently working but wants or needs to start working

If parent/guardian is your current primary arrangement for any child, what is the main reason why? (Check one).					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Parent/guardian wants to be primary caretaker	<input type="checkbox"/>	Safety reasons due to COVID-19	<input type="checkbox"/>	Childcare costs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Work schedule does not match childcare schedule	<input type="checkbox"/>	Childcare is too far to access from home	<input type="checkbox"/>	Currently on a childcare waitlist
<input type="checkbox"/>	Parental Leave	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify):		

If parent/guardian is current primary arrangement for any child, please check the gender of the parent/guardian who stays home most often?					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Male	<input type="checkbox"/>	Female	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-binary

Section 4: Other thoughts on childcare.
Please tell us about any challenges you experience with childcare.
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